			(W/O ADM)	
	2009/10	2009/10	2009/10	Percent
	Requested	Approved	Approved	Change
Revenues	40.000.000	40.00==00	40.00= =00	100/
Sales Tax	\$3,673,000	\$3,305,700	\$3,305,700	-10%
State ADM	1,300,000	1,080,536	0	-17%
Partnership for Children	0	30,000	30,000	0%
Fund Balance Applied	0	3,305,818	3,305,818	0%
From School Bond Fund	0	0	0	0%
From General Fund	6,116,471	0	0	0%
Total	\$11,089,471	\$7,722,054	\$6,641,518	-30%
Expenses				
Catawba County (in priority order)				
H.M. Arndt Middle School Design	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	0%
Purchase Property - Foard Area Elementary School	400,000	400,000	0	0%
3 Buses	234,423	234,423	234,423	0%
Storage Facility - Maintenance	180,000	180,000	180,000	0%
Roofing - Arndt Middle School	180,000	180,000	180,000	0%
Roofing - Systemwide	50,000	50,000	39,432	0%
Voice Over IP - Central Office Complex	215,000	0	0	-100%
Dump Truck - Maintenance	50,000	50,000	50,000	0%
HVAC Controls System Upgrades	275,000	275,000	0	0%
Cameras for Buses	142,500	PER CAPITA	PER CAPITA	0%
Sweetwater Early Childhood Center	159,000	159,000	159,000	0%
Bus Garage - Relocate Fueling Station	100,000	100,000	0	0%
Convert Heat from Oil to Gas - Sherrills Ford; Lyle Creek	80,000	80,000	0	0%
Window Replacement - Startown Elementary	38,000	38,000	38,000	0%
Bunker Hill - Convert Classroom to Guidance Suite	55,000	0	0	-100%
Central Freezer - Child Nutrition	150,000	0	0	-100%
Increase Stacking Area - Balls Creek	50,000	50,000	0	0%
Athletic Field Upgrade - Jacobs Fork Middle	280,000	0	0	-100%
Schools' Project Manager	33,092	33,092	33,092	0%
Per Capita 17,353 @ \$50.00	880,000	867,650	865,591	-1%
Total	\$3,752,015	\$2,897,165	\$1,979,538	-23%
Hickory City (in priority order)				
Roofing - Catawba Valley High School	\$425,000	\$0	\$0	-100%
Roofing - Longview Elementary	134,000	0	0	-100%
Asbestos Abatement - Hickory High	710,000	710,000	710,000	0%
Per Capita 4,402 @ \$50.00 less \$50,000 QZAB payment	173,450	170,100	156,894	-2%
Total	\$1,442,450	\$880,100	\$866,894	-39%

	2009/10	2009/10	2009/10	Percent
	Requested	Approved	Approved	Change
Newton-Conover (in priority order)	-			
Roofing - Central Office; Conover Cafeteria	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	0%
Upgrade Middle School to Elementary School	296,000	273,516	226,806	-8%
Gas Pack Units - Newton-Conover High	36,000	36,000	0	0%
Masonry Repairs - Newton-Conover Middle Gym	58,500	58,500	0	0%
Upgrade Media Center - Newton-Conover High; Shuford Elementary	40,000	0	0	-100%
New Exterior Door Locks - Thornton Elementary; South Newton Elementary	15,000	0	0	-100%
Lighting and Resurfacing Tennis Courts - Newton-Conover High	80,000	0	0	-100%
Schools' Project Manager	33,092	33,092	33,092	0%
Per Capita 2,831 @ \$50.00	153,414	141,550	133,057	-8%
Total	\$1,062,006	\$892,658	\$742,955	-16%
Catawba Valley Community College (in priority order)				
General Renovations	\$200,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	-25%
Safety Locks	50,000	50,000	50,000	0%
Cooling Tower - Engineering Building	35,000	35,000	35,000	0%
Alert System	130,000	100,000	100,000	-23%
Phone System - Simulated Hospital	100,000	0	0	-100%
Lawn Mower	23,000	20,000	20,000	-13%
Maintenance Van	22,500	22,500	22,500	0%
Maintenance Truck	22,500	0	0	-100%
Bookstore Renovations	150,000	150,000	150,000	0%
1-Ton Truck	30,000	0	0	-100%
Energy Management Upgrade	140,000	0	0	-100%
Bathroom Renovtions - Administrative Buildings and West Wing	250,000	0	0	-100%
Paving - East Campus	200,000	0	0	-100%
Energy Efficient Lighting	330,000	0	0	-100%
Boiler	150,000	0	0	-100%
Main Entrance Renovations	950,000	0	0	-100%
Courtyard Renovations	150,000	0	0	-100%
Center for Emerging Manufacturing Solutions	750,000	0	0	-100%
Simulated Hospital	1,100,000	0	0	-100%
Total	\$4,783,000	\$527,500	\$527,500	-89%
To Debt Service (QZABs payment)	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	0%
To General Fund	\$0	\$2,474,631	\$2,474,631	100%
GRAND TOTAL	\$11,089,471	\$7,722,054	\$6,641,518	-30%

Budget Highlights

Hickory Public Schools has applied for and received approval for 2007 Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZABs) in the amount of \$700,000 through the State of North Carolina. In 1997,

Congress made these funds available for State or local governments to issue QZABs due to concerns from educators and employers about the ability of high poverty schools to address the vital issue of how they prepare their students for a more competitive global economy. QZABs are used to support Qualified Zone Academies, schools (or programs within a school) that enter into partnerships with local businesses to enhance the academic curriculum, increase graduation and employment rates and better prepare students for the rigors of college and the workforce under a plan approved by the local school system. Schools must use the bond proceeds to renovate school buildings, purchase equipment, develop criteria or train teachers. These funds act like an interest-free loan to schools that meet the criteria above and flow through the County in which the school resides. The term of the loan will be 14 years (beginning in Fiscal Year 2008/09 and ending in Fiscal Year 2021/22), and funds to repay the debt will come from Hickory Public Schools in the amount of \$50,000 per year.

The Schools' Capital Projects Fund includes non-debt related annual capital projects for Catawba County Schools', Hickory Public Schools', Newton-Conover City Schools, and Catawba Valley Community College. A portion of the sales tax dollars received by counties is restricted for use on schools' capital and construction projects. The Fiscal Year 2007/08 budget appropriated \$2.47 million of these restricted sales tax funds for debt service on school construction projects. When the sales tax revenues were received, these revenues were mistakenly credited to the Schools' Capital Projects Fund instead of in the General Fund for debt. The Fiscal Year 2009/10 budget transfers these dollars back to the General Fund.

Local dollars and state ADM (average daily membership) funds are used to pay for annual capital needs for the three school systems. We normally receive roughly \$1.3 million annually in ADM funds but these funds are in jeopardy this year. As a precaution, projects were identified as either locally funded or ADM funded with each Superintendent. ADM funded projects are not part of the budget but will be considered at a later date by Commissioners if this funding is received.